

jobs of lumberjacks by arranging an exchange of federally owned land for private plots that included the most magnificent old growth trees.

With similar resolve and resourcefulness, Mr. Livermore successfully led the campaign to preserve the Eel River. The Army Corps of Engineers and the state Department of Water Resources were supporting the construction of the Dos Rios Dam on the middle fork of the Eel River in an effort to minimize the risk of flooding to areas downstream. The proposed dam would have flooded the Round Valley, home to the Yuki, a Native American Tribe that had lived in the valley for 9,000 years. Arguing that the dam would have traded "permanent destruction" for "occasional protection", Mr. Livermore fought vigorously against the proposal and arranged a meeting between Governor Reagan and members of the Yuki tribe. The meeting had such a profound impact on the governor that he withdrew his support for the project, saving the Round Valley and preserving the natural state of the middle fork of the Eel River.

Mr. Livermore combined well-reasoned arguments with emotionally compelling appeals to win the hearts and minds of those inside and outside the conservation movement. He recognized that we all care deeply about that which we are familiar and that effective advocacy depends on one's ability to draw connections between experiences. He is known by many as "Reagan's environmental conscience", but his impact on our State is not confined to the policy of one administration. Mr. Livermore's legacy is in the beauty of our state and the joy and inspiration it invokes in 37 million Californians. ●

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTLAND TROPHY

● Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Greater Omaha Sports Committee, the Omaha World-Herald, and the Downtown Omaha Rotary, which tonight will continue a long-running tradition in honoring college football's top interior lineman.

The Outland Trophy has been awarded every year since 1946 by the Football Writers Association of America. It is named after John Outland, who was an All-American tackle at the University of Pennsylvania in 1897. Mr. Outland created the award in 1946 because he believed his fellow linemen deserved more recognition for their contributions. Indeed, the game of football is often won in the trenches, with the most physically dominating linemen deciding the game's outcome.

From 1946 to 1989, Outland winners received only a plaque, and there was no public ceremony to honor their remarkable achievements. That has since changed, thanks to the dedication of football supporters in Omaha, NE, who not only prepared an impressive trophy presentation but began an annual banquet and public award ceremony.

It is only fitting that the Outland Trophy is awarded in Nebraska, as the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers lead the Nation with seven Outland Trophy winners, while three other Huskers have been named runners up.

This year, we congratulate Wisconsin offensive tackle Joe Thomas, who at 6 feet, 8 inches, 315 pounds, becomes the first Badger to earn the honor. Mr. Thomas led the Badgers' offense to average 30.3 points per game as the team compiled a 12-to-1 record. Congratulations as well to Bill Fischer, the 1948 Outland Trophy winner at offensive guard for the University of Notre Dame and a member of the national championship-winning Fighting Irish teams of 1946 and 1947. Mr. Fisher will receive an authentic Outland Trophy to replace his plaque in a long-overdue award ceremony.

Tonight the State of Nebraska is honored to welcome these men, together with other past winners, in what is sure to be another prestigious evening for the giants of college football. ●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 4:17 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 1928a, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly: Mr. TANNER of Tennessee, Chairman.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2. An act to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 3. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, January 11, 2007, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 159. An act to redesignate the White Rocks National Recreation Area in the State of Vermont as the "Robert T. Stafford White Rocks National Recreation Area".

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-257. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Beauveria Bassiana HF23; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8108-4) received on January 10, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-258. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Remove Portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Santa Clara Counties, CA, From the List of Quarantined Areas" (Docket No. APHIS-2005-0116) received on January 10, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-259. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to agreements made under the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-260. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a review of the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-261. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving exports to Kenya; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-262. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-263. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Community Reinvestment Act" (Docket No. R-1273) received on January 10, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-264. A communication from the Assistant to the Board, Legal Division, Board of